

IN THE DRAWINGS

Please amend the drawings as on the attached letter to draftsman.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, replace the title with the following paragraph:

✓ A SEALING ELEMENT WITH A PROTRUDING PART APPROXIMATELY  
OBLIQUELY OUTWARD AND A HERMETIC CONTAINER USING THE SAME

Page 15, please replace the paragraph beginning with "Fig. 17" with the  
following paragraph:

✓ Fig. 17 is a sectional illustration showing a sealing element in the seventh  
embodiment of a hermetic container and its sealing method according to the present  
invention;

Page 15, please replace the paragraph beginning with "Fig. 18" with the  
following paragraph:

✓ Fig. 18 is a sectional illustration showing one embodiment of a hermetic  
container and its sealing method according to the present invention; and

Page 15, between lines 16-17, please insert the following paragraph: